

Appl. No. 10/803,783
Amendment Dated March 18, 2005
Reply to Notice of Allowance of February 28, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the present application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for receiving the attorney's telephone call yesterday and for courteously discussing the matter of claim 52 as set forth below. At the suggestion of the Examiner, the applicants hereby submit a proposed Amendment after Notice of Allowance for consideration by the Examiner.

A Notice of Allowance for the present application was mailed on February 28, 2005. No issue fee has yet been paid.

In a final review of the claims, the applicants noticed that in claim 52, elements of the claim were in reverse order. That is, the third claim element, "a memory for storing..." should appear before the second claim element, "additional circuitry configured in such a way...." As the claim now reads,

"...additional circuitry configured in such a way as to reduce the possibility of semiconductor junctions positioned within said complementary MOS integrated circuit between said processing, controlling or manipulating circuitry and said memory becoming forward biased;

a memory for storing and retrieving at least a portion of said data, said memory having a capacity of at least 2 megabits;

...(underlining added)."

It is evident that "said memory" which is mentioned at the end of the "additional circuitry" paragraph is indefinite for the lack of antecedent basis. With the reordering of the claim elements by this amendment, this issue is removed. The applicants also took this opportunity to correct the term, "forward biased," to "forward-biased."

Consequently, the applicants have filed this amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 and request entry of the amendment. With entry of the amendment, the applicants will then pay the issue fee. If a telephone conference would in any way expedite the

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prosecution of the application, the Examiner is asked to call the undersigned at (408) 446-7687 to discuss this matter.

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